The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling and Curtis attending. Others attending were Chief Dixon; Lt. Angel; Supt. Givens; Comm. Maynard; Pam Robinson – Posey County News; and Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented.

Board member Curtis moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Mayor Tucker, who then asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Fuelling moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there as any discussion?

Board member Curtis stated he has a question for Supt. Givens about the refrigerator bill from Home Depot, there are two on there and the Board only gave permission for one.

Supt. Givens replied the one in the lab came out of the \$4,000 allowance from Kieffer.

Board member Curtis stated he said he needed a special one for samples, but asked if he bought another one as well.

Supt. Givens replied yes and added he bought one for the break room, as part of the deduction on the building. He then stated he actually needs a third one. He has a mini fridge but needs a big one for the break room.

Board member Fuelling stated he is confused and wants to be sure he understands. He asked if Supt. Givens is saying he already has two, but he needs another one?

Supt. Givens replied yes. He stated there is a little one in the room connected to his office.

Board member Curtis stated now he isn't following either. He asked where the break room is and why he needs three refrigerators.

Supt. Givens stated he really needs to refrigerators. The one can't be used for anything but the lab.

They have a regular refrigerator and an incubator, they still need one big one for the break room.

Board member Fuelling replied oh, ok.

Board member Curtis stated one was purchased for \$359.00 and the other one was \$217.00; was the \$217.00 a little one ?

Supt. Givens replied yes. He then invited Board member Fuelling to come out to the plant and see it. Mayor Tucker asked if there were any other questions?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor o the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Lt. Angel stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Chief Dixon stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Supt. Givens stated, in reference to the refrigerator discussion earlier, many times the guys work through their lunch, they are at the plant for many hours at a time. He asked if they could purchase a microwave for the break room?

Board concurred

Board member Fuelling stated he is now over the sewer and he wants to come out and look things over, like he did when he was over the street. He then asked if everything is working alright? Supt. Givens replied they have a broken force main. The pipe down W 2nd Street is cracked and the contractor will have to fix that. He added that line has broken several times due to heavy traffic.

Board member Fuelling asked what time would be good for him to come down?

Supt. Givens replied any time, just let him know as he is out in the plant most of the time, working out the bugs in the new system.

Board member Fuelling added he wants to get familiar with things out there and he is looking forward to it.

Board member Curtis questioned the crack in the W 2nd Street line?

Supt. Givens replied Aaron Burke of BLA will be getting with Kieffer; it appears it was not backfilled properly. He then stated they had a year warranty from the substantial completion date, but hopefully Kieffer will give them something else on it as well.

Mayor Tucker stated Supt. Givens is ill and will not be at the Council meeting later, so he asked for an update on the east side bridge project.

Supt. Givens stated the pipe is in and as far as he knows, there is no change in the completion date of mid February.

Mayor Tucker questioned down time in the area?

Supt. Givens replied two hours, three, four – they should be fine in that case. The lift station should hold for four hours. He added the VacCon truck will be there on standby.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Comm. Maynard stated in reference to the Sawmill storm sewer issue, he has the specs completed and would like to get permission on getting quotes. He wants the quoters to meet at the site for review and then the quotes will be turned in to the Clerk-Treasurer on February 7 at 11:00 am for opening at that days' meeting. He stated hopefully they will get some good prices and he hopes to contact more than three contractors.

Board agreed to proceed.

Comm. Maynard then stated he will talk with Supt. Givens about the length of the project. He continued his report by stating Board have given permission for him to attend the Purdue Pest Conference and after looking at how many CEU's they would be getting versus the cost of the conference, the hotel, etc. they feel it would be a waste of money. He stated they are others courses offered at other times during the year and he has called Purdue and canceled. He stated they can get the credits other places and no one is in jeopardy of losing their license over this. He added Indianapolis has a one day class, it is cheaper, and they can get the same amount of credits.

Board member Curtis stated that sounds like a plan.

Board member Fuelling stated he appreciates Comm. Maynard looking so closely at that.

Mayor Tucker questioned the west side project?

Board member Fuelling replied the pipe is there.

Comm. Maynard stated they are waiting on BLA to get here and then his department will be ready to roll, but they need the elevations from BLA.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any Legals?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone the Audience wished to address the Board? There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business?

Board member Fuelling stated they are down to two items now at the riverfront: the electrical boxes and the concession stand. He added the fabrication and mounting of the boxes (with plug-ins in the box), for possibly seven but more than likely five, would run \$1,525.00 each. If they go with seven, they would need two electrical panels at \$475.00 each. He suggested they go with five at \$1,525.00 each for a total of \$7,625.00 and get this project done and then they would be down to just the concession stand. He then moved they proceed with Gottman Electric on the five electrical boxes at a cost of \$7,625.00 for the riverfront. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions?

There were none.

Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business?

Board member Curtis stated this year there was no bid on gasoline and though the city uses Heritage, he wonders if they get any type of discount, and if so, how much?

Lt. Angel stated he believes they just pay the going rate.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman stated back in the day that the city did receive bids on gas, they prices were only good for one year, and they were priced per grade of gasoline, and for that bid period only. Board member Curtis stated he looked at a bill the other day and it appears the average they were paying was around \$2.54/gal but he isn't sure how much the tax is on that either. He then stated he will make some phone calls and check it out.

Mayor Tucker added Chief Beloat is also negotiating with Heritage.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn. Board member Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Curtis. Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

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